

Docket No.: 1232-5421

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

YAMADA et al.

Group Art Unit:

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Serial No.:

10/849,954

Examiner:

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For:

INK JET PRINTING APPARATUS, PRINT HEAD

PERFORMANCE RECOVERING DEVICE, AND PRINT HEAD PERFORMANCE RECOVERING METHOD

CLAIM TO CONVENTION PRIORITY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application and under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119 and 37 C.F.R. §1.55, applicant(s) claim(s) the benefit of the following prior application(s):

Application(s) filed in:

Japan

In the name of:

Canon Kabushiki Kaisha

Serial No(s):

2003-146964

Filing Date(s):

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\boxtimes	Pursuant to the Claim to Priority, applicant(s) submit(s) a duly certified copy of
	said foreign application.

A duly	certified	copy of	said foreign	application	is in t	he file	of application	on Serial
No	, filed							

Respectfully submitted,

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